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Applicant: Todd Elliott Piper Date: May 17, 2002

Serial No.: 09/491,596 Group Art Unit: 1638

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For: "INBRED MAIZE LINE PH54H"

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Dear Sir:

Enclosed herewith is a Request for Continued Examination Under 37 C.F. R. § 1.114.

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Transmittal Form.

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Respectfully submitted,
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Dear Sir:

This is a Request for Continued Examination under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 for the above identified application. A Final Office Action was mailed December 19, 2001. Applicant respectfully requests that the following amendments and remarks be considered as the required submission under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 and that they be made of record.

It is submitted that the amendments to the claims are fully responsive to the final office action and present no new matter.

IN THE SPECIFICATION

At page 48, lines 2 – 21, following "Deposits", please delete the entire paragraph and insert the following:

Applicant has made a deposit of at least 2500 seeds of Inbred Maize Line PH54H with the American Type Culture Collection (ATCC), Manassas, VA 20110 USA, ATCC Deposit No. PTA-4259. The seeds deposited with the ATCC on May 3, 2002 were taken from the deposit maintained by Pioneer Hi-Bred International, Inc., 800

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